

REMARKS

According to the Examiner's restriction requirement specified in the Office Action mailed on July 6, 2004, the claims are grouped as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-36

Group II: Claims 37-47.

Applicants hereby elect claims 1-36 in Group I.

Claims 37-47 are cancelled without prejudice.

No new matter has been added.


Reconsideration and reexamination of the above-referenced patent application, is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call David Tran at (408) 765-4692.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0221 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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